California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region 1515 Clay Street, Suite 1400, Oakland, CA 94612 (510) 622-2300

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR RESCISSION OF DISCHARGE PERMIT

Santa Clara County Roads & Airports Department 1505 Schallenberger Road, San Jose Pump Station at Oregon Expressway & Alma Street Palo Alto, Santa Clara County

The above discharger has applied for reissuance of a permit under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). Because the existing permit is unnecessary, the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board's (Regional Water Board's) staff has prepared a tentative order rescinding the permit in accordance with the Federal Clean Water Act and the California Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act.

The Santa Clara County Roads & Airports Department operates a pump station where the Oregon Expressway passes under Alma Street in Palo Alto. The pump station collects and discharges groundwater from roadway underdrains to prevent the underpass from flooding. The pump station also collects storm water runoff from the area. The combined flow is treated to remove volatile organic compounds and discharged to Matadero Creek. This discharge qualifies for coverage under the Water Board's General Permit for Discharge or Reuse of Extracted and Treated Groundwater Resulting from the Cleanup of Groundwater Polluted by Volatile Organic Compounds. Therefore, the existing permit is unnecessary.

The Regional Water Board intends to consider adopting the tentative permit rescission during a meeting to commence as follows:

Time and Date: 9:00 a.m., July 11, 2007

Location: Auditorium, Elihu Harris State Building

1515 Clay Street, Oakland, California

Persons wishing to file written comments on or objections to the tentative permit rescission or other aspects of this matter must do so no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 8, 2007, so such comments may be considered. No written comments will be accepted or responded to after that date. Interested persons are also invited to attend and express their views at the public hearing on this matter. The Water Board will hear oral testimony, but will not accept written comments after the deadline above.

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 23, §2050(c), any party that challenges the Regional Water Board's action on this matter through a petition to the State Water Resources Control Board under Water Code §13320 will be limited to raising only those substantive issues or objections raised before the Regional Water Board at the public hearing or in timely submitted written correspondence.

The tentative permit rescission and related documents may be inspected and copied at the Regional Water Board office. The tentative permit rescission is also available at www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay. A response to written comments will be posted on that website one week prior to the hearing. Contact Bill Johnson at (510) 622-2354, or by e-mail at wjohnson@waterboards.ca.gov, if you have any questions.